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## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Response to Amendment

1. The amendment received on 11/14/2005 has been reviewed and considered with the following results:

As to the objection to the drawings, Applicant's revision of the drawings filed on 8/18/2005 has overcome the objection, as such; the objection has been withdrawn.

As to the objections to claims 37-40, 42-44, and 49-51, Applicant's amendments have overcome the objections, as such; the objections have been withdrawn.

As to the rejection to claim 41, under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, Applicant's amendments have overcome the rejections, as such; the rejections have been withdrawn.

The prior art rejections to the claims made in the previous Office Action, mailed on 6/14/2005, is now withdrawn in view of Applicant's amendments filed on 12/15/2005.

Therefore, the case is found to be in allowance condition.

## **REASON FOR ALLOWANCE**

- 2. The statement of reasons for allowance can be found in a prior Final Office action mailed on 6/14/2005.
- 3. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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## Conclusion

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4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hai L. Nguyen whose telephone number is 571-272-1747. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Timothy Callahan can be reached on 571-272-1740. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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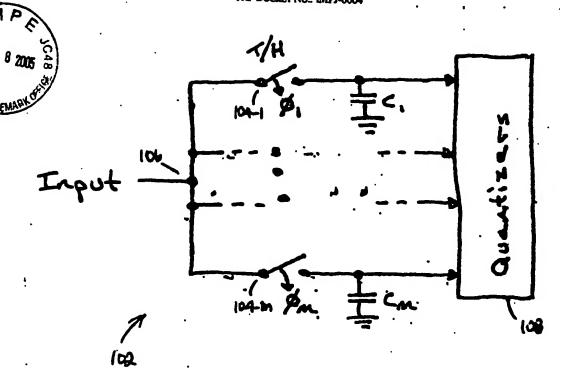


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